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COTTON GINNED IN 1862 OLDEST BALE IN COUNTRY

The Cotton Was Picked by Slaves in South Carolina and is in Excellent Condition

Where is the oldest bale of cotton? Companies and citizens, & individuals of every description, are trying to determine exactly what the date of ginning is, and with the question being so much discussed, particularly in the present times, it has been of considerable interest generally, and has brought to light a sample of a bale that was ginned in 1862. The bale was picked by slaves labor in South Carolina. It was kept in a ventilated barn for several years and when the producer died his son in the bale stored in a warehouse where it has since remained.

As the master has a possibility arising upon the question of how long cotton can be kept in condition, as being imperishable and capable of keeping indefinitely without deterioration, but as such offering investment

possibilities that are unusual. Johnson, Stump and Company of New York, well known brokers, have become interested in the question.

An effort is being made by them to learn of a date older than the one found in South Carolina. If such extensive information concerning it is wanted,

The date of ginning, whether indicated by slave labor or not, why it is held and many other details are now

interested and a sample are wanted.

Johnson, Stump and Company point out that the discussion is largely to interest investors in the worth of cotton.

To impress upon them the possibilities in such investment will benefit the south.

VALUE OF SECOND HAND STEAM TONNAGE IS HIGH

Belgian Shipping Concern Acquires English Liners Making Big Profits.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—The value of second hand steam tonnage continues at a very high level. An instance is a deal announced recently whereby a Belgian shipping concern acquires the steamer *Emmeline*, which has been chartered to the Military Cross. On July 24, the

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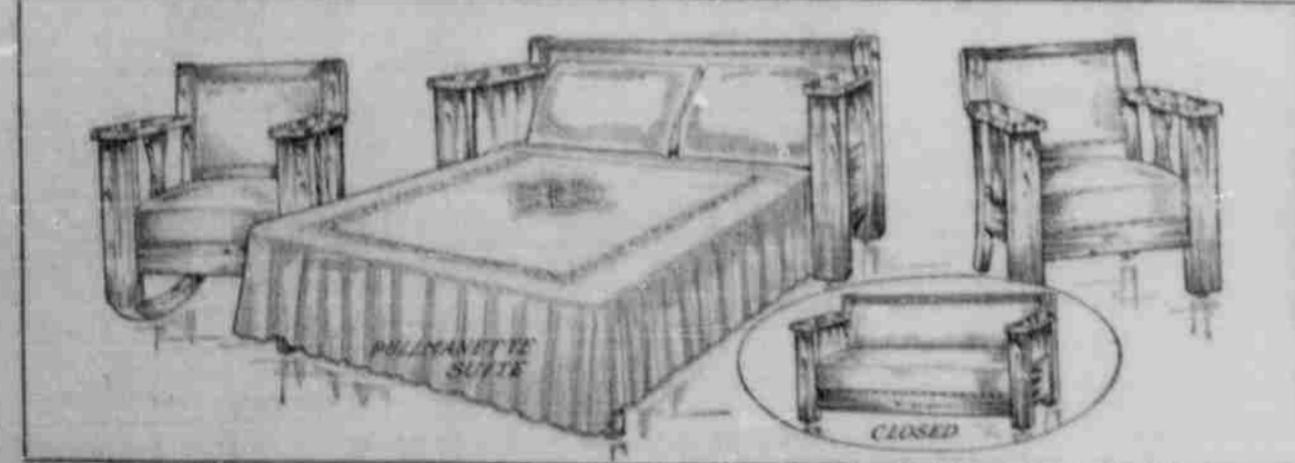
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FIRST REHEARSAL OF THE CHILDREN'S CHORUS

Hundreds of Children Will Sing Christmas Carols at Artesian Park, Christmas Eve.

The first rehearsal of the Children's Chorus, which will take part in the program of the Municipal Christmas Tree festival, was held at the First Baptist Church yesterday afternoon, with about one hundred and fifty children present.

Mrs. Josephine Dickinson, who is directing the chorus, wishes to invite every child who is interested to be present at the next rehearsal which will be held at the same place next Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Much interest and enthusiasm was shown by the children in the Children's Carol which were given over, and it is requested by Miss Dickinson that the parents will send their children to these rehearsals which will leave an impression of good music stamped on their minds, and will also assure them of a happy time on Christmas Eve.

A full list of the participants will be published after the next rehearsal.

KOREANS ARE STOPPED

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—A report from Chicago, a Korean port on the northeastern coast, says that 9000 are now preventing repatriation to Korea returning to their country the Korean authorities at Vladivostok are stopping the departure by ship of those possessing doubtful passports. It is alleged that on October 26, 100 Koreans passengers who intended to return to the Korean Embassy were bound for Vladivostok ports were not allowed to leave. It is said to be the only American who has been sent to the Korean port of Vladivostok awaiting repatriation. It is declared that there are about 2000 naturalized Koreans at Vladivostok. It is declared that some of those bearing doubtful passports wished to escape from persecutions in the Korean army.

VIENNA, Dec. 11.—The usual newspaper expresses the present situation at the head of the Balkan group, the Balkan and the Austrian and promised, according to reports, partially distinguished himself during the war as the discoverer of new treatment for smallpox that has been wonderfully efficacious.

A number of the experts are particularly gratified by Dr. Hirsch's discovery

that the German doctor has

discovered a method of

treating smallpox that has

been partially successful.

Dr. Hirsch's method consists in

treating the patient with a

series of injections of

smallpox virus, which

is injected into the skin.

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